

WICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

A meeting of Wick Community Council was held on Thursday 19th
March 2026 at Wick Sports Pavilion

	MEETING OPENED: The Chair, Cllr D Ambrose opened the meeting at 7.30pm
	MEMBERS PRESENT:
	Cllr D Ambrose, Cllr C Hawkins, Cllr G Crockford, Cllr M Baker and Cllr R Goddin Cllr J Protheroe, Vale Ward Councillor Apologies received from Cllr J Purcell, Cllr P Murphy and Cllr C Stallard.
26.031	PUBLIC SESSION
26.031.01	There was 1 member of the public present. Matters discussed included the Local Development Plan and homelessness.
26.032	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
26.032.01	Cllr Hawkins declared a personal but not a prejudicial interest in respect of the agenda item on Pavilion charges as he is a member of three groups which regularly use the Pavilion.
26.032.02	Cllr R Goddin declared an interest in respect of the Wick Fete item, his wife is Chair of Wick Fete and Social Events Committee,.
26.033	POLICE REPORT
26.033.01	There was no Police report
26.034	MINUTES OF OUR LAST MEETINGS
26.034.01	The minutes of the 5 th March 2026 meeting were agreed, Proposed Cllr M Baker Seconded Cllr G Crockford
26.035	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
26.035.02	Cllr Baker confirmed that the response, as agreed, had been submitted to the Vale. Cllr Baker was thanked for his work on the questionnaire and the response.
26.036	MINUTES OF MEETING 19TH FEBRUARY
26.036.01	The minutes of the 19 th February meeting were agreed. Proposed Cllr M Baker Seconded Cll G Crockford.
26.037	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
26.037.01	Provision of dog poo bags. The Clerk had raised a query with the company concerning the fixing kit and was awaiting a response.
26.037.02	Capital Grant for Play equipment.

	<p>The Clerk has spoken to the manufacturer who confirmed that it would be installed at the end of next week. £180 has been received from the Vale to pay for training of young people. It was confirmed that we would aim for 8th April for the opening ceremony. Cllr Protheroe will speak to Skateboard Wales about a suitable person to open it.</p>
26.037.03	<p>Training Plan. The Clerk to circulate One Voice Wales training courses for councillors to identify which courses they would like to attend.</p>
26.037.04	<p>Boundary Review. The Clerk reported having attended a meeting with the monitoring Officer and other Clerks which focussed mainly on staffing issues. Councils affected were advised to open communication with other councils affected. It was agreed that the Clerk will contact the St Donats Clerk.</p>
26.037.05	<p>Community Asset Transfer Training Course. The Clerk had attended this course, It was agreed to pay the training fee £42 Proposed Cllr D Ambrose Seconded Cllr G Crockford</p>
26.038	FINANCE
26.038.01	<p>Cllr Murphy had sent a report that there was a balance of £17,121.14 in the current account and £27,738.21 in the business account. These figures reconciled with our accounts.</p>
26.038.02	<p>Charges for use of the Pavilion. Cllr Murphy had circulated revised proposals, it was agreed to defer a decision on this until the next meeting.</p>
226.039	PLANNING
26.039.01	<p>Planning Applications 2026/00167/FUL (ED) Location : Green Isha Farm, Llantwit Road, Wick, Cowbridge Proposal : Construction of new stables and indoor exercise space within farm, in place of existing menage No observations</p>
26.040	CORRESPONDENCE
26.040.01	<p>One Voice Wales - Lunch and Learn - Noted</p>

26.040.02	Vale of Glamorgan Council, Local lettings policy – Noted
26.040.03	One Voice Wales Manifesto - Noted
26.040.04	One Voice Wales membership renewal. It was agreed to renew our membership at a cost of £196 Proposed Cllr M Baker Seconded Cllr R Goddin.
26.040.05	Annual Renumeration Report - Noted
26.041	REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE COMMITTEES etc
26.041.01	<p>The Clerk reported that he had attended a meeting of the fete committee when there had been a discussion on recent cancellations of the fete due to poor weather and the need for a marquee.</p> <p>There was a discussion on the value of the work undertaken by the fete committee to the village and the disappointment when the fete had been cancelled.</p> <p>The cost of a 15x9 meter marquee was £1000 plus vat. This was the last year of this community council; it was agreed to sponsor the cost of the marquee in return for an acknowledgement in fete publicity.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr G Crockford Seconded Cllr M Baker</p>
26.042	SPORTS PAVILION AND MUGA
6.042.01	<p>The Clerk had emailed the Vale Chief Exec requesting a meeting about the sewer. The response had been disappointing in that he replied with a list of work which had been carried out and suggested that the community council was responsible for any delay.</p> <p>There was discussion on what action to take next. We still wish to go ahead with the transfer, but time is getting short.</p> <p>There was a discussion on the sewer and the extent to which it would be our responsibility. The Clerk would send the two reports to Cllr Baker for further investigation.</p> <p>Cllr Ambrose reported that he, the Clerk and Cllr Protheroe had met the new Vale Community Asset Transfer Officer. There is the possibility of additional funding available to improve the building. Councillors were invited to make a list of priorities for the building to send to the CAT officer. Clerk to submit the list of priorities discussed and to contact the Chief Exec about the sewer once the situation was clear.</p>

26.042.02	<p>Our solicitor has recommended that we have a series of property searches carried out at a cost of £869.56. There was a lengthy discussion on the need for this. It was agreed to pay to have the searches carried out. Proposed Cllr C Hawkins Seconded Cllr M Baker</p> <p>The Clerk reported that Wick Cricket Club had responded to the Heads of Terms for the sub lease. They were disappointed that they were to pay rent and had asked that they be permitted to store fuel for the mowers in a suitable container in the storeroom. This would not comply with the Fire Risk Assessment. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the storage of fuel inside the storeroom was not acceptable.</p>
26.043	COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES
26.043.01	<p>Cllr Protheroe reported on the Vale’s Council tax for the next year. We were still one of the lowest in Wales. Additional funding will be spent on rural transport and youth services.</p>
26.043.02	<p>Cllr Protheroe will chase up the bus shelter roof at St Brides Road.</p>
26.043.03	<p>Cllr Protheroe reported on planned improvements to mobile phone signals in rural areas.</p>
26.044	OTHER BUSINESS
26.044.01	<p>The Clerk reported that the pads on the defibrillator at the Pavilion were due to expire next month. The Clerk was authorised to purchase replacement pads. Proposed Cllr D Ambrose Seconded Cllr M Baker</p>
26.045	DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING
26.045.01	<p>It was agreed that the next normal meeting would take place on Thursday 16th April 2026, at 7.30pm.</p>
<p>Chair signature Date</p>	